



Lake Atiamuri

Site Number: SNA581
Ecological District: Atiamuri
Source of Information: None.
Digital Scale: 1:5,000
Data Source: WRAPS 2007
Regional Council: Waikato
1998 Site Number: Not identified as a site in Shaw and Beadel (1998)
Current Tenure: Unprotected
Site Area: 84.8 ha
Altitude Range: 260-270 m
Bioclimatic Zone: Lowland
Grid Reference: NZTM E1866788, N5746422

VEGETATION		LANDFORM	EXTENT
CODE	TYPE		
1	Open water.	Hydro lake	84.8 ha

Indigenous Flora: Unknown

Fauna: Unknown. Likely to provide habitat for several threatened or at risk bird species, including grey duck ('Threatened - Nationally Critical' in Miskelly *et al.* 2008), black-billed gull ('Threatened - Nationally Endangered'), red-billed gull, Caspian tern, and New Zealand dabchick (all 'Threatened - Nationally Vulnerable'), black shag and little shag (both 'At Risk - Naturally Uncommon').

Notes on Overall Condition: Unknown

Change Relative to 1998: Unknown. Probably little change.

Threats/Modification/Vulnerability: Unknown. The lake was formed in 1958 after the completion of the Atiamuri Dam

Risk Assessment: Unknown

Significance Level: National (Appendix 5 - Table 1 - Criteria 3, 6, 8, 9, 11; Table 2 - Factors G, H).

Significance Justification: This site is likely to be of national significance as it is likely to provide habitat for threatened and at risk indigenous bird species. It is also part of the Waikato River system - a nationally significant waterway.

Fieldwork Required: No fieldwork is required to assess that the site is significant. Biodiversity and management information is lacking.

Notes: Parts of this site were difficult to map accurately because aerial photographs had shadows over parts of the lake.

References: None